[Rao Bahadur T. K. Nair]

An application for refund of lapsed deposit for Rs. 505 has been received from the District Munsiff, Cranganur. There is only an allotment of Rs. 50 under "22—Miscellaneous (a) Refund of Lapsed deposits and R. T. Rs" in the current year's budget. An additional amount of Rs. 455 or 500 in round figures has therefore become necessary to pass the refund bill in question. There is not also sufficient balance for transfer from any other head. I request that this allotment may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

4. "10—Excise—Refunds"

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Revenue):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 12,000 under "10—Excise-refunds".

The duty on salt manufactured in or imported into this State was abolished with effect from 1st Medam 1122 (14th April 1947). A refund of duty paid on stocks of salt of and above 2 mds. held on the 1st Medam 1122 or in transit on that date was also sanctioned.

There was a general complaint that the selling price of salt in the Chittur Taluk is very high when compared with the selling prices in other taluks. Therefore to enable the people in Chittur to get salt at about the same price as elsewhere in the State a rebate of annas 8 for a bag of salt (2 mds.) taken to Chittur was also sanctioned.

Applications for refund of duty for an aggregate total of nearly Rs. 8000 have been received so far. Based on previous year's consumption nearly Rs. 4.000 will be required for payment of rebate to the merchants in Chittur Taluk. Thus a sum of Rs. 12,000 is required on this account. As the expenditure is one which could not be foreseen and provided for in the budget for the current year an additional allotment of Rs. 12000 is required under "12—Excise-refunds". I request that this may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

5. "20—A—Law and Justice"

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Revenue):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 182—3—0 under "20—A—Law and Justice".

Consequent on the apointment of a Government Pleader, High Court, an additional supply of a set of Cochin Acts and Proclamations and Law Reports has to be made. The expenditure was not foreseen and as such no provision could be made in the current year's budget. No reappropriation is possible as no savings can be anticipated this year. An additional allotment of Rs. 182—3—0 is therefore necessary under the head "20—A—Law and Justice". I request that the amount may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

(6) "20—A—Law and Justice—Miscellaneous"

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Revenue):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 204 under "20—A—Law and Justice—Miscellaneous". A Phone connection has been sanctioned to the Advocate-General's Office. As this is a new item sanctioned only in the beginning of 1123 provision could not be included in the current year's budget. An additional allotment of Rs. 204 is therefore necessary under "20—A—Law and Justice—Miscellaneous". I request that this may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

(7) "7-Excise—Refund (Cranganur)"

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Revenue):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 100 under "7-Excise—Refunds (Cranganur)".

There is only an allotment of Rs. 100 in the Cranganur Budget under "7—Excise-refunds". A claim for refund of Rs. 162—8—0 being the differential cost of arrack remitted by the Cranganur Depot Keeper has been received. The sanctioned allotment will not be sufficient to pay the refund. An additional allotment of Rs. 100 is therefore necessary under "7—Excise—refunds" to satisfy the present claim and also any other item of refund that may crop up during this year. I request that the same may be sanctioned.

Demand put and carried

(8) "5—B—Village Panchayats"

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Food and Education):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 39,000 under "5—B—Village Panchayats".

Owing to the continued draught the Mundakan crop is being badly affected and there are requests from all over the State for supply of pump to irrigate those fields. The Director of Panchayats has therefore proposed to purchase 6 diesel pump and the accessories. The cost of each pump will come to Rs. 6000. The accessories for each will cost to Rs. 500. The provisions in the panchayat budget are ear-marked for specific purposes and no savings are perceptible

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at present for re-appropriation. An additional allotment of Rs. 39,000 is therefore necessary under "5—B—Village Panchayats". I request that the amount may be sanctioned.

Mr. President: There is a cut motion by Mr. Ashroff. Does he wish to move the cut?

CUT MOTION NO. I

Irrigation Measures—Extension of

* **Mr. P. A. Muhamed Ashroff** *(Cranganur):* Sir, I wish to move the following cut motion under Demand No. 8.

"To reduce the allotment of Rs. 39,000 for purchase of pumps in demand No. "8—Village Panchayats by Re. 1" *to impress upon the Government the urgent necessity of extending the irrigation measures to Cranganur Taluk and to Edavilangu Village of Mukundapuram Taluk also.*

സർ, ഈ പ്രദേശം ഞാൻ പ്രതിനിധീകരിക്കുന്ന നിയോജകമണ്ഡലത്തിൽ പെട്ട പ്രദേശമാണു്. ഇവിടെ കൊല്ലംതോറും മകരമാസത്തിൽ മാത്രമാണു കായ്മായ വിളവുണ്ടാകുന്നതു്. അതു മറ്റെല്ലായിടത്തേയുംപോലെ മഴയില്ലാത്തതുമൂലം വളരെ കഷ്ടനിലയിൽ എത്തിയിരിക്കയാണു്. വളരെ കഷ്ടനഷ്ടങ്ങൾ അവിടത്തെ കൃഷിക്കാർ അനുഭവിക്കുന്നുണ്ടു്. അതുകൊണ്ടു് ഏതെങ്കിലും വിധത്തിൽ മറ്റുദിക്കുകളിൽചെയ്യുന്നതുപോലെ പമ്പുവച്ചോ മറ്റേതെങ്കിലും വിധത്തിലൊ അവിടത്തെ കൃഷിക്കാർക്കു വെള്ളം കൊടുക്കുവാൻ വേണ്ട നടപടികൾ എടുത്തില്ലെങ്കിൽ അതു വളരെ അനീതിതന്നെ ആയിരിയ്ക്കും. അങ്ങിനെ ചെയ്തില്ലെങ്കിൽ അവിടെനിന്നു യാതൊന്നും കിട്ടുകയില്ല. അവിടത്തെ കൃഷി ആയകലം കുറഞ്ഞുതുടങ്ങിയിരിക്കുന്നു. അതുകൊണ്ടു കഴിയുന്ന വേഗത്തിൽ അതിനുവേണ്ട നടപടികൾ എടുത്തു് അവിടത്തെ കൃഷിക്കാർക്കു വേണ്ട രക്ഷചെയ്തുകൊടുക്കണമെന്നു ഗവൺമെണ്ടിന്റെ മുമ്പിൽ നിവേദനം ചെയ്യാനാണു ഈ കട്ടുമോഷൻ ഇവിടെ കൊണ്ടുവന്നിട്ടുള്ളതു്. ഇതിനെ ഈ സഭയും ഗവൺമെണ്ടും അംഗീകരിയ്ക്കും എന്നു വിശ്വസിച്ചുകൊണ്ടു് ഇതു ഇവിടെ അവതരിപ്പിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

***Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon** *(Minister for Food and Education):* We are doing our best. It is not possible to give pumps to all places because we have only very few and limited number. They are already fixed up. Government regret to say that they could not get sufficient number of pumps. It is not a case of wilful negligence on the part of the Government. I can assure the Hon'ble Member that Government will strive their best to get as many pumps as possible in future. Beyond that we are unable to do any thing more.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Nellai):* On a point of information. A sum of Rs. 39,000 was allowed in the last session of the Council for this purpose. Were not pumps purchased?

***Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar** *(Prime Minister):* No, Sir; there was some slight mistake. When we moved the additional allotment there was another Rs. 60,000 also for purchase of pumps and for putting up certain bunds etc. The office thought that this Rs. 39,000 was also included in the Rs. 60,000 and sanction was taken only for Rs. 60,000 whereas the actual requirement was Rs. 60,000 for bunding and Rs. 39,000 for pumps. So we immediately purchased the pumps taking Rs. 39.000 from that Rs. 60,000 and we have now come forward for that amount.

മിസ്റ്റർ. പി. എ. മുഹമ്മദു് അഷ്റോഫ്: ഗവൺമെണ്ടിനു പല വിഷമങ്ങളുമുണ്ടെന്നു് എനിയ്ക്കറിയാം. പമ്പുകൾ ധാരാളം വാങ്ങിയ്ക്കുണ്ടിവരും. അതിനു കോയമ്പത്തൂരിലേയ്ക്കും ബോംബേയിലേയ്ക്കും മറ്റും ചീഫ് എഞ്ചിനീയരെയും മറ്റു എഞ്ചിനീയർമാരേയും അയച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു കേൾക്കുന്നുണ്ടു്. എങ്കിലും എനിക്കു വിനീതമായി ഗവൺമെണ്ടിനോടപേക്ഷിക്കുവാനുള്ളതു് അവിടെ എന്തെങ്കിലും ചെയ്യാൻ വിചാരിക്കുന്നുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അതു കഴിയുന്ന വേഗത്തിൽ ചെയ്തുതരണം എന്നാണു്. ഇതിനെക്കുറിച്ചു് അനുഭാവപൂർവ്വം തുലോചിക്കാമെന്നു് മിനിസ്റ്റർ പറഞ്ഞതുകൊണ്ടു് അതിനെ വിശ്വസിച്ചു ഞാൻ ഈ കട്ടുമോഷൻ പിൻവലിയ്ക്കുന്നു.

Motion by leave withdrawn
Demand put and carried

(9) "40—Labour—Miscellaneous

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Minister for Food and Education):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 2,725 under "40—Labour—Miscellaneous".

* Speech not corrected by the Hon'ble Members.

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